

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7575

Tariff filing of Washington Electric Cooperative,)
Inc. re: proposed rate design changes, to take)
effect December 11, 2009)

Order entered: 12/4/2009

**ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFF FILING
AND NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

I. REPORT

On October 27, 2009, Washington Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("WEC"), filed with the Public Service Board ("Board") revised tariffs and a petition requesting Board approval of proposed rate design changes (Tariff Filing No. 8113), to take effect December 11, 2009.

On November 25, 2009, the Vermont Department of Public Service, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. Section 225, informed the Board that it had reviewed the filing and recommended that the Board suspend the filing and open an investigation into the proposed rate design changes.

II. TEMPORARY ORDER

Under the provisions of 30 V.S.A. Sections 226(b) and 227(a),

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the proposed rate design changes filed with the Board on October 27, 2009, by Washington Electric Cooperative, Inc., are hereby suspended and shall not become effective until final determination of the proceedings hereby instituted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Board will investigate the rate design changes proposed by WEC to determine whether or not such changes are just and reasonable.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. Section 8, that Andrea McHugh, Utilities Analyst, is appointed to serve as the Hearing Officer in this docket.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. Section 10(c), that a prehearing conference will be held in this matter on Monday, December 21, 2009, commencing at 1:30 P.M., at the Public Service Board Hearing Room, Third Floor, Chittenden Bank Building, 112 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont.

DATED at Montpelier, Vermont, this 4th day of December, 2009.

VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

By: Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: December 4, 2009

Attest: s/Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

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